Sometime.

- forevermore have set weak judgments here have

out of life's dark night. s most in deeper thats of blue. are now all tiod's plans were right, t seemed reproof was love most

while we frown and sigh, as best for you and me: non we called He heeded not our cry, a se L - wisdom, to the end could see, gen as presient parents disallow weet to craving baby loved. and per age is keeping from us now Security things, because it seemeth good

ommingled with life's wine. We find the wormwood and rebel and shrink A transper hand than yours or mine are and thus potton for your lips to drink. I seem transd we love is lying low, ere man kisses cannot reach his face, and stame the Heavenly Father so, wear at it sarrow, with obedient grace,

you should shortly know that lengthened breat at the sweetest gift God sends his friend, if that sometimes, the sable pall of death porais the fairest boon his love can send. as could just aside the gates of life had stand within, and all God's workings see. We muld onerpret all this doubt and strife And for each mystery find a key.

and to day. Then be content, poor heart; of spalls, like likes, pure and white unfold; most het tear the close, shut leaves apart, The will reveal the calyxes of gold. and through patient toil, we reach the land Where tirel feet with sandals loose may rest, Most we shall clearly know and understand I know that we will say, "God knew the best."

Riel Rises to Remark. a lanters-tawed half-breed with hair on

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s born on the mountain, but howl on the heath, lexas to tireenland, it is my belief, es no such bold pirate as I am.

big-fisted, lop-sided son of the plain, reath is the blizzard, my spittle is rain; buttle blue lightning's the blood in my vein. son of a cyclone from Siam.

armed to the teeth, I've a morgage upon, bravest of bruisers-the very bon ton ; a foot of the whole gang is tender.

Middleton's minfons we're waiting to eat. Meigund we'll pulverize into mince meat,

so get there ye gory goloots from the west. Ve started the fight, and if each does his best will none of us die nor surrender. -Minneapolis Tribune,

A Prince and Gambler.

dad a short time ago, was the most famous type of the enormously rich foreigners who pickerel being the most prominent. come to Paris. Though neither wise, witty. or even well born, he nevertheless managife in the gay capital. He came to Paris roup of young and middle aged men as the is friviolous and as eager for pleasure

aned at the Jockey Club he procured adsson to the less fastidious "Baby Club," the Rue Royale. Here his freaks created A certain prank, in which the ornamental wes that produced gold, iron and copper in to the votary of rod and gun a peculiar zest mous quantities. Eight thousand men in the pursuits of his favorite pastime. rked in these mines, and the income from in a dozen of his men servants fight country. beforethim like gladiators until one remained squeror and winner of a handsome hon-

At the death of his nucle, Prince Anatole Jemidoff, husband of the princess Mathilide,

the "upper ten" to attend them and note boys determined to take advantage of the The School Trustees have recently set out the transformation in this handsome prod-opportunity and start on a hunt.

agreed by mutual consent to rest until noon. on the other side of the game. The first is the time to erect such an one to your deceit." They both slept on sofas in the same room. boy soon had the corral gate open, and then own memory.

and, with the exception of an hour's rest at brother. dinner, continued until the next morning at | Mr. Scott and the two boys then posted

I de lessons have been learned, six millions at play, though this was a mere could make but slow progress. Slowly and

we grieved with lashes the famous marshall, began life as an inn corral. It was novel and very careful work. to be allowed to attend church all the day keeper, one day "chaffed" Demidoff's birth, for if the game had taken alarm it would Sunday and twice during the week. his grandfather having been a blacksmith, have been impossible to have secured them a revival was in progress she proposed to be who was ennobled for shoeing Peter the alive. Soon, however, their efforts were re- out every evening in the week. This and Great's horse. "Neither you nor I should warded by success, for they succeeded in several other concessions were granted by make fun of the people," said Demidoff, driving all the five elks and four deer into Mrs. Smart, who is fabatically oppose "If my grandfather, the Oural blacksmith, the corral. It took them but a few moments doing any hard work herself, and who w had ever gone to the South of France, he to fasten the gate and then the prisoners put up with everything from a servant might have stopped to refresh himself at were secure. The animals are now all doing rather than soil her precious hands. your grandfather's inn and your distinguish- well and are feeding as contentedly as if ed grandmother would have washed the they had never known the free life of the dishes."-Philadelphia Press.

Greenwood Lake.

This beautiful sheet of water is located partly in Orange County, New York, and partly in Passaic County, New Jersey forty

and partially surrounded by towering hills agine that only ignorant people had any be suppose we keep you busy eating all the and mountains, which in many instances lief in a cure by prayer, but at the same time, how much more will you charge by the rise abruptly from the water's edge to ter- time it was well to investigate cases of so month?" minate in rocky bluffs, 1,500 feet above, this called "faith cure" before accepting them as Windermere of the New World, presents facts. In his personal experience the authscenic attractions of the rarest order. Here or had encountered many instances of peo and there the shore recedes gradually dis- ple who imagined themselves ill, when upon People generally, and even those covering a thickly wooded slope which con- the excitement of their will power and a may be termed steady readers and close tinues far as the eye can reach, the leafy pretended faith they recovered. Mr. Si- observers, have but a faint conception of the verdure unbroken, except by an occasional strip of rolling farm-land.

Portions of the lake are bordered with shady groves, carpeted with velvet grass and beautiful wild flowers, while among the rocks which form a portion of the shore, are wired and fantastic coves and glens, the walls of which are seamed with age, and

rich in rare and delicate ferns and mosses. From the summit of the bluffs overlooking the lake, a boundless view of the surround ing country may be had, and the diversity and beauty of this panoramic display is suffering from some triffing complaint and present, and while the gain this year is not keep in the path of virtue.

The lake is a thousand feet above tid water, and its waters are deep, clear and miraculous faith cure. cold—prime requisites for the comfort and The essayist attended a faith-cure meet- Illinois follows with a gain of 77. Isaak Walton gladly made his pilgrimage to but the Christian doctor freely admits that Paul Demidoff, prince of San Donato, who he repaid for his effort: Here he found there is a faith cure." game fish of every variety; bass, pike and

The advent of the railroad at once placed this famous resort within easy reach of the ed to play a prince's role in the drama of outside world; and each succeeding season faith in it. You all believe in, faith cure, who have not already been alloted lands ber of visitors, until now they may be numbered by many thousands. For the accomas houself. They held high carnival in the are six well appointed hotels, located at con-The Anglais, and their aggregate fortunes, attractive sites along the shores of the lake, and the transient or permanent visitor will him the doctor's decision. "No, she will feared. The government, which has sent the best reads it, and this is why the local paper is the decreased in popular estimation, 800, find every accommodation and convenience, not die," said the father, and she did not, up some 2,500 troops, could probably have and a moderate cost. While hunting or but is living in New York to day with a crushed the rebellion almost by the unaided Demiddf was at heart a savage. Black fishing parties who desire to bring their own large family around her. Mr. Folwell assistance of the friendly Indians if it had equipage, and try a season of "roughing it," thought that every one had not the faith been disposed to employ them. The value will find along the shores, or upon the wooded islands in the lake, any number of choice

The young man who ge make place played a prominent part, resulted doors of these hotels, extend for miles back She was once a teacher in the Asylum for miles, over which the troops have had to be girl often gets mitten, too. his expulsion. His mistake was to sup into the country, the hunter will find plenty the Blind, at Thirty-third street and Ninth teamed. From Qu'Appelle, on the railway se that people would forgive him anything of occupation for dog and gun, while the avenue. She declined in health, and rallied to the scene of the disturbance on the North account of his enormous wealth. The pure, cool, bracing air consequent to such after the elders of the church had formed a Saskatchewan, the troops will have a march of his fortune came from the famous an elevation above the sea level, acts as a praying circle around her bed, and she now over the prairies of from two to three hunof Yagail on the confines of Asia, constant tonic and invigorator, and imparts went about curing others by prayer.

This region has been justly named "the amounted in some years to 12,000,000 sportsman's paradise," and to the sportsman To the Bloomfield Citizen. Demidoff imposed himself succes who has but a day or so during the season The importance of tree planting has been by upon actresses of the Gymnase, the to devote to his favorite recreation, it offers recognized of late to such an extent that meties and the Vaudeville; he outdrank special advantages. Being located in such several of the States have enacted laws bis companions; he astonished the ga- close proximity to New York and adjacent making an abatement of taxes to those who Zelleers with his extravagant freaks, and cities, the lake may be reached with an plant and care for a given number, and saled himself to be compared to Nero economy of time and absence of fatigue special days designated "Arbor Days," because he used to amuse himself by mak- afforded by no other sporting ground in the have been set apart either by law or exec-

A Novel Capture of Deer.

the received a vast accession of property. ernor Eaton, has received a letter from his strangely oblivious to their own interests. Sangely oblivious to their own interests. to die of consumption. In vain her mother Others who have set out trees have neimproving the Russian town of Kiew and ing of a very novel capture made by him glected to trim and prune them, and they completing the beautiful cathedral of and his two sons. Mr. Scott lives upon the have become unsightly and their lower limbs to reveal her sorrow. But at last she dried Forestee begun under Medicis. He offered ranch in Egeria Park, which is in Routt too near the ground for either beauty or her Colong tears and said: "My sister, the bear half the expense if the city would County, and surrounding him is a country in which there is an abundance of game.

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County and surrounding him is a country in which there is an abundance of game. That part of Colorado is the hunter's para- fer a lasting benefit by resolutely interfercherski in 1866. They quarreled bitterly elk wander through the spruce forests and boards" for advertisements; and by tearing my stockings and I couldn't get hers on."— it well under control. at first because in changing his position he over the open plains. One day a few weeks down, whenever found, any paper, rag, had not changed his habits. But she had ago Mr. Scott got up in the morning and board or other advertisement that may be sense, intelligence and beauty. In found that during the wight a hard crust had attached to them. The Town Committee the should take the matter in hand, but as they position in an Austin bank. The President months later, she died, the most curious covered the ground for miles around his are not guiltless in the particular themselves was satisfied with his credentials, but before transformation in Demidoff's character took ranch. This crust was so thick and strong it can hardly be expected they will co-operplace. The rireur, the man whose life had that it would easily bear the weight of a man. ate very heartily in this until an enucated been a long orgie, felt the awakening touch It was just the day on which to hunt elk or public sentiment demands it. If no law ex of sorrow and passed in meditation and pray deer, for the hunter could run rapidly over ists upon this subject a little effort could er hours tormerly devoted to suppers. He the frozen snow, while the elk would have, easily secure one empowering the Counsel regular revival meetings in the even where they did not break through the for the Township or individuals to prosecute hapels of his magnificent house, and it be- crust, to travel gingerly and carefully to the offenders, and making the penalty came the fashion with Parisian beauties of keep from falling down. Mr. Scott and his sufficient to stop such vandalisms.

The handsomest man in Paris" some the house when they saw standing among cost is but little, but the prospective ben- twentieth bill is not lifted up and there is?"—"Yes. Two years ago she was thirty-Called him. Though he married a second some spruce trees, a short distance away. fits are great. The in daughter of the Princess Lise Trou- five magnificent blue elk and four big buck When the writer moved to Bloomfield in belizhki) he never went back to the old wild deer. They could easily have shot one or 1870, the most striking feature of the town hat had rationally, dispensing gener- more of them, for, though usually very hard was the noble row of elms on Bloomfield dish of hospitality and alms as became a to approach, the animals in this case were Turnpike, most of which were destroyed by I didn't suppose you knew that trick." Among the famous gamb- not disposed to run away. A lucky thought the infamous Essex County Road Board; feats of his early "fast days" was his suggested itself to Mr. Scott, and that was which has given us nothing to compensate famous scarte duel with Khalilga Byereed to capture all of them alive if possible. The for this loss and where so called "improveto pay until one of them had won a millon only way in which he could ho this was to ment" is a fraud upon the community. Traines from the other. They took a pri drive them into some enclosure, and fortun. Who that has ever been in New Haven, bottom of it." Wate room at the Cafe Anglais, and from ately he had a large corral near his house Fairfield, Statford and other places in Con "I know it," said old Mrs. Squaggs; "it the first luck favored the Turk. In a short which was enclosed with a high fence over necticut has failed to note the beauty of the Late he was 500,000 francs ahead. Then which a deer or elk could not leap. Telling elms, and feel an emotion of gratitude to practice deceit. If he hadn't a wife he in the church last Sunday," Pat: "No, inthe lack changed, and at 9 o'clock the next one of his boys to run back and open the those philanthropists long since passed wouldn't need to lie so much about where dade, your rev'rance didn't. You moight Adding Demidoff was the winner of 150, corral gate, Mr. Scott, with the other boy, away, whose monuments outlast the crumb- he spent his evenings. You are perfectly a'seen me with me oies shut, but divil a bit

The struggle began again alter breakfast, followed in the tracks of his father and

11, when the Turk rose from the table win- themselves so as to drive the elk and deer ner of a millon francs. When Demidoff toward the corral when they came near them. returned to Russia in 1865, he had lost five or The snow crust was slippery and the game drop in the bucket of his enormous fortune. carefully the herders approached the elk and Prince Achille Murat, whose grandfather, deer, which also moved gradually nearer the tenshuns." This was also granted, she was forest. It will not be long until they be come tame, and Mr. Scott will then prob-

Discussing Faith Cures.

reached only by the New York and Green- time ago There was an unusually large best time for supper am about 8 o'clock. wood Lake Railway, which is operated as a attendance of ministers, as the subject Good supper I wants." has been under consideration for some time. "I sav." said Sam Smart, who had listen Situated in the midst of a primeval forest, The essayist did not think it proper to im ing attentively with growing indignation,

> diagnosis of a case would give rise to a sup- and Canada; of these the United States has posed faith cure. He characerized Grant's 12,973, an average of one paper for every Later, when a criminal was being excited, He knew of cases of children who had been of newspapers was less by \$23 than at had been pronounced afflicted with a fatal so marked as in some previous years, it is

perfect development of its finny inhabitants ing where the blind and lame and sick came, curious to notice that New York, the scene thing with you, Matthias?" "Yes, a bottle -and for ages it has been famous for the They were prayed for, they could not see or of so much political activity during the of Hungarian wine. What have you got, variety and quanity of its fish: Among the walk or feel any better. In many cases if last campaign, should have only about one. Tiloff?" "A dry tongue." "Good. Then we And the Winnipeg warriors will wait their defeat, aborigines it was held in the highest esteem they had given up the use of opium they third as many newspapers as the State of as a superior fishing ground, and when would have made a step in the right direct- Pennsylvania. As an index to the com- Begin," Matthias produced a bottle of wine civilization encoached upon this territory, ion. "But I believe that prayer helps re- parative growth and prosperity of different from his wallet, and its contents were honthe quivering lung from each red-coated the white man soon discovered that the Incovery, "said Mr. Simons in conclusion, sections of the country, especially the orably divided. After this had been done, dian was eminently right in this particular, "and every physician will admit that some- Territories, the number of new papers forms Matthias, wiring his mouth, asked his fellowso that for years before a railroad was built thing beyond himself says whether we shall an interesting study, and may well occupy traveler to bring out his provisions. "1? in this section of the country, the disciple of live or die. The unbeliever calls it nature, the attention of the curious. Greenwood Lake by buckboard, on horse- if God wills we should not recover, then all back, or on foot if need be, and royally was his medicines are in vain. In this sense

Rev. W. W. Evarts, "when they reject faith Dominion government has sent a commiscure. You go to a thousand homes and sion to inquire into the validity of the claims, pray there. It is a mockery if there is no and no doubt all that come from half-breeds has witnessed a steady increase in the num- There are miracles going on all the while in will be granted. The grants would probathe church."

The Rev. G. W. Folwell told a story of possibly be if no disturbance of the peace modation and entertainment of visitors, there a deacon in his old church in Wilmington, had taken place. Riel has failed in his aim venient intervals, on most favorable and point of death, given up by the doctor and Indians to join his standard; some few may detail the local news, which cannot be obnurse. Mr. Folwell met the father and told join, but no general Indian war need be tained from any other source. 'Everybody necessary to cure them.

The Rev. Hiram Hutchins, of Willoughby poses has been shown, even before it is before he gets his pay. and then consternation. spots especially adapted to "camping out." Avenue Church, Brooklyn, related the cure finished. There were uncompleted gaps In the deep woods that, from the very of his daughter, as he believed by prayer, north of the lakes of something over seventy

Plant Trees.

utive proclamation for the performance of

Bloomfield is rich in the beauty, number and variety of its ornamental trees, but there is yet room for more. Many property

at Brookside, Centre Primary and Berkely They had gone but a short distance from Districts, 65 trees, elms and maples. The to see it he would want it back, but if the

1000 (railes. Both were tired out, and they then started off with the intention of getting ling stone or ghostly marble. Reader, now right. It's the women that cause the o'sleep could I get any-how, wid your

What She Wanted.

Mrs. Sam Smart advertised for a colored servant. An elegantly dressed colored lady out in an appearance. She wanted \$15 a month in advance, which was conceded. She wanted a room with a carpet and a stove where she could receive the visite "seberal gemmen who am pavin"

"And I wants hit understood about meals, continued the would be menial. likes to eat hearty. We has to hab beefsteak or sausage ebery mornin', and for myself 1 ably bring them to some zoological garden, want chocolate instead of coffee, 10 o clock, so I kin hold out till dinner at Loclock. I don't takes coffee with my The Rev. E. D. Simons of Bloomfield, dinner. De coffee and cakes comes about read a paper on "Faith Cure" at the meet half past 5 o'clock in the afternoon, which

Newspapers of To-Day.

mons told one instance of a father reciting magnitude and influence the press of this to him the troubles of an only daughter. She country has attained. From a careful exwas afflicted with curvature of the spine, amination of the advance pages of the 1885 paralysis of the lower limbs, tumor in the edition of the AMERICAN NEWSPAPER the land was paid, and its surrender took stomach, Bright's disease and insomnia, but Directory, issued May 1st, by Geo. P. upon half an hour's devotion to prayer she Rowell & Co., of New York, it appears they were severely beaten so that the pain recovered and is now enjoying perfect health, that there are 14,147 newspapers and thus inflicted should make an impression Mr. Simons thought that mistakes in the periodicals published in the United States illness as a case of malignant sore throat, 3,867 persons. In 1884 the total number est increase, the number being 78, while

Regarding the rebellion in the Canadian reply. Northwest and its results, the Toronto cor "I don't know what men mean," said the respondent of Bradstreet's writes: bly have been made sooner than they can of the Pacific Railway for defensive purdred miles. Besides, rifles, Gattling guns, mortars and cannons have been called into

Crystabel Pendennis, with hot alkaline tears on her damascus cheeks, rushed into rampant and marriage proposals are made. her mother's and frantically embraced the mantel, and called for a poultice of teal leaves for her aching and wounded orbs. A red sunset glinted on the Western fog, and dark tar-flat-like shadows spread across the three-ply Brussels. Then she tore the chestnut from her pocket-the chestnut first time remarked what a beautiful bustle which from early childhood she had carried it had. to prevent rheumatism-and threw it into the rosy, rudicund grate, and lifed the red A spring poet: "Will they miss me, Captain Boyd, private secretary of Gov- owners are remiss in the matter, and control of the control of the control owners are remiss in the matter, and control of the cont from her dimpled shoulders, and prepared fire another gun. appealed to her in the name of bric a brac gaged to fly with him myself, only she stole vous system." He may have, but he keeps

> BANKING INTELLIGENCE.-He wanted a the patent office as a field of search. engaging him put through a little civil service cross examination.

"Suppose now, a man was to come here to deposit twenty dollars in one dollar to hire himself out to a hitching-post. bills, how would you count them?" "I'd wet my fingers and lift up each bill until I got to the last one."

"Why do you not lift up the last one." "Because there might possibly be one or reply, "although you don't want them." more bills under it, and if the depositor was should be another bill in the pile the bank nine. Last year she was thirty-eight. O makes it, don't you see."

"You will do," said the bank President, "you have been in the business before, but

E. A. S. Old Mr. Squaggs became very thoughtful. cushions."

THE RHINGS EROS AND THE LAWYER - A The present roller skating craze is by no

rhinoceros having run down a lawver, stood wer the prostrate man for a moment to gloat upon his prize, when his victim made an earnest appeal for his life, claiming that he would some day teturn the great lavor. The rhinoceros deliberated for a while, and then decided to let the lawver go. Several weeks afterward the beast got in a row with an elephant and killed him, and fearing trouble he went to the lawver and said "Now is your time to return that favor 1 want you to defend my case. "Oh-ahexactly," stammered the lawyer, but you are to late. Only last night the friends of the elephant retained me to help prosecute von. Sorry, you know, but first come first served." Moral: When you get a lawyer on the hip never let go .- Detroit Free Press.

THE GOOD OLD MOTHERS - God bless all the good old mothers. I never see an old lady sitting in the arm chair at her ease but wants a lunch of cold ham or tongue about I think what storms have pelted into that cheery face without souring it. It may be that a man can go through more exertion than a woman, but at least it remains true three miles from New York City, and is ing of Baptist ministers in New York some will make me hold out till tea at 6. De his good cheer, his gentleness and his love and trust in mankind or God. Yet how rarely do you find a frail old mother whose spirit has been worn threadbare and unlively by what she has endured. A sweet old mother is common, a sweet old father is not so common. As thy day so thy strength of love, thy riches of an inexhaustible benevelence and hope and faith. This is more apt to be a woman's history than a man's. -Boston Hom Journal.

> Anciently, in many parts of France, when a sale of land took place it was the custom to have twelve adult witnesses, accompanied by twelve little boys; and when the price of place, the ears of the boys were pulled and upon their memory, and, if required afterward, they might bear witness to the sale parents whipped their children, so that they might take warning by the example, and

Two Polish co-religionists were on a jour It is nev on a hot Summer day. "Have you any. answered Tiloff. "Why, yes, your dry ton gue." "I haven't got one now!" was the

> "The local paper," says Whitelaw Reid is the best read paper in the world. Al the city papers cannot supply the place of the home paper. No other contains the marriages and deaths; no other paper gives the time for the next ball, picnic or political meeting; no other publishes the 'roll of honor' of the public school! no other dis-

Miscellaneous.

The bill collector's work is always dur

The young man who gets smitten with a

No part of a man's anatomy will stand so

A man who occasionally gets in a word edgewise can be called a sharp talker.

It is in the night time that crime stalks

If beauty is only skin deep, the rhinoceros should have the inside track at a beauty show.

A little girl on seeing a peacock for the

A certain young lady objects to smoking,

because it leaves a very unplesant taste

A naturalist says "a sponge has a ner-

on finding a model man, let us recommend If a man really knew himself to be so

wicked and mean as his mother-in-law often

"Belvadere"-If you are seriously bent

reckons him to be, he'd feel too depraved "Speaking of age," said a withered spinster to a lady, "I should give you fifty years." -"you may keep them yourself," was the

"Do you know how old Madame Bcourse this year she must be thirty seven.'

"I have neither time nor inclination to pass paregories on the deceased." remarked a Western funeral orator. "Panegyrices." "The world is full of deceit," said old corrected some present, "As you please, Mr. Squaggs, "and wimmin is mostly at the sir," remarked the orator, stiffly, "the words are anonymous."

Roller Skating.

means the first. It is, in fact, the third There was a very extensive roller skating crame in this country in 1872, when there were many skating rinks and many thousand skaters in various parts of the country, and in some places alm st as much excitement over it as there is now Roller skating halls were established in this city by Mr. Plimpton as long ago as 1865. They were attended by stand and orderly people, including minister, deacous and church members, and on one occasion the good folks astonished their friends, and, in fact, themselves, by skating a waltz figure during Lent. They did not awake to the enormity of the offence until some of the newspapers began to write them up Roller skating was extesively introduced in schools and continued in private social circles for many years without any attempt to make the skating balls the resort of promiscuous assemblages. In 1866 roller skating was started at Newport in the Atlantic House, and for several years was pat ronized by the best society. The large during room of the Atlantic was used for skating, and clergymen, lawyers, doctors and the most exemplary citizens joined in the sport. In 1876 a considerable number of leading members of New York society were interested in roller skating. The Union Club members were prominent in it. Among those who participated were James G. Bennett, M. Douglas, A. Wright Sanford, Mr. Howland, Mrs. John Jav. M M Livingston, and others equally well-known. They first engaged Lyric Hall, and subsequently Irving Hall, and the attendance was very select. The public was not admitted. The first absolutely public roller skating rink in this country was established in Cincinnati in 1867, and the amusement took a firm bold there. They had a newspaper devoted to the interests of roller-skating, published in Cincinnati in 1877, called the Skate Roll. At that time the rinks were rigidly conducted, so as to interest the most conservative and orderly persons. The rules and regulations of the floor also were such as would obviate many of the objections to the modern skating rinks. Mr. Plimpton had his skates patented in England, and about ten years ago there was a rollerskating craze in that country similar to that which prevails here now, with the exception that it was started with the deliberate purpose of interesting the most conservative and orderly people, and to make it a reputable amusement.

The Race for the America's Cup.

No race in English waters, no matter how

-New York Sun.

handled by professionals or amateurs, will excite one tithe of the interest which will attach to the race for the America's cup. It is not easy to be very bopeful about this contest, and the highest admiration must be felt for the adventurous spirit of the owners, who intend to make an effort to bring that much coveted cup back. The conditions laid down for the contest are, indeed, very strongly in favor of American competitors. The English yachte must cross the Atlantic, and must, therefore, be sea-going vessels. The American yacht, which has to go through no such ordeal, may be a mere racing machine. If challenger and challenged cannot agree as to the conditions of the contest the former has the not very valuable right of claiming to have one decisive match sailed, while the latter will be entitled to name the competing yacht on the morning of the battle. What this privilege means, of course every one knows, and it is superfluous to observe that, without the slightest mala fides. difficulties may arise at any moment. The six months' notice required gives time to build a yacht on purpose to beat the English one, and whether this condition has technically been complied with or not, it is clear that the Americans have time, as according to the latest news a centre-board sloop is to be built on purpose to fight the much-dreaded vessels. A fair weather racing machine of this kind will have in ordinary Summer winds a great advantage as against the solid English yachts. which will, we fear, engage in a very unequal contest; but if happily the breezes blow they may be victorious, and if they are not, the battles may be such as to yield more glory to the vanquished than to the victor. + The Saturday

A Murderous Old Humbug.

Two persons, father and son, the latter of whom was named Eric the Red, having been guilty of murder in Norway, took refuge in Iceland, where Eric committed one if not two more murders, and in consequence of them, and of his constant broils and feuds with his neighbors, was banished and outlawed. As the world was too small for bim, he was tempted to try to discover and explore the new land in the West, of the existence of which they were rumors. He therefore sailed west, and discovered an ice-bound country. which he called "Greenland," because, quoth he, "people will be attracted to it if the land has a good name." This intended fraud upon emigrants was an example that was followed in his own day, as well as in later times, for an imaginative chronicler subsequently asserted that there is the best of wheat in Greenland." In A. D. 994 Eric and bis son Leif, baving heard of new lands further west having been sighted by Bjarne, made up their minds to explore them, and for that purpose bought and fitted out Bjarne's vessel. But Eric while on his way to the port was thrown by his horse, and took his fall as an omen that he was not destined to give any more Greenlands to the world, and he therefore allowed Leif to sail without him. But from what we know of his proclivities, we may quite sure that he had a wonderful name already coined for that new land-Vineland the Good. Could words picture a more attractive bait for emigrants? How much of the story of the subsequent exploration of Vineland by his son Leif's purely imaginary it is difficult to say. All that relates to ship-loads of grapes, self-sown fields of wheat, and the genial semitropical Winter climate of that favored land, we may dismiss as myths or exaggerations. Where, then, was Vineland situated?-Popular Science Monthly.

In addition to the excursion tickets to Gettysburg on the occasion of the reunion of the Army of the Potomac, already offered, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will place on sale at their offices in Philadelphia, Germantown, Trenton, Princeton, New Brunswick, Elizabeth, Newark and New York, round-trip tickets to Gettysburg at greatly reduced rates. These tickets will be good for use going via Harrisburg and returning via Baltimore, thus affording their holders the opportunity of visiting both the meeting at Gettysburg on May 4th and 5th and the regular annual reunion at Baltimore on the 6th and 7th. These special tickets will be sold May 2d, 3d and 4th, and will be good to return until the 10th, inclusive.

Two members of the Mormon Church were arrested yesterday in Salt Lake City and taken before the United States Commissioner. They waived examination and were admitted to bail. Another member of the church was convicted and found guilty by the jury on the first ballot, after three days' hard struggle in

Labor-Saving Machinery.

There are upward of six y banks in this city Without a clearing bouse each of these would be obliged to make a settlement with all the rest. Suprese the A bank has checks and drufts on sixty banks, making a balar ce in the favor amounting in the aggregate to \$500,000, but owes the sixty first lank the sum of \$501, (00); without this general clearance it must send all over the city to collect this balf a million dollars, and then adding one thousand dollars to it must pay its debt. But with a clearing bouse all it has to do is to find out whether it is debtor or creditor on the whole and pay that sum over. In the case above describedafter the exchange had gone around the room! it would be found that the A bank had nothing to collecte and had only \$1,000 to pay. Instead of handling \$1,001,000 by receiving \$500 000, and paving out \$501,000, it handles only one thousand dollars. The representatives (clerks) of all the banks mee tin a large room. Each has a little deak with an outside ticket hole. The managers then start on their rounds and each exchanges slips with all the others. When through it is found who is debtor and creditor in relation to the whole body, and exactly bow much. Those who are debtors then pay in what they owe, and the clearing house pays it out to the creditors, and not a cent is left on the counter. The sum of three or four millions as the resulting balance will settle daily exchanges for one hundred million dollars, as only those who owe a balance on final settlement are called upon to pay anything, and only those who have a credit on final settlement will receive anything, and one must exactly balance the other. -New York Journal of Commerce.

-New Postage Stamps.

The Post Office Department, vesterday, opene i and scheduled proposals for supplying adhesive postage stamps for the next fiscal year The number of ordinary stamps required is 1,452,315,150; of newspaper and periodical stamps, 2,463,885; of postage due stamps, 12, 949,270; and of special delivery stamps, 5,000, 000. The bidders were the Secretary of the Treasury for the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, which competes for the work for the first time; the American Bank Note Company, of New York, which holds the present contract, and the Franklin Bank Note Company, of New York. The Department has not yet decided in what style the stamps shall be executed, whether by hand, by steam press, or by a combination of both, and the bidders were required to submit proposals for each class of work. For band-American Bank Note Company 8 49-100 cents. 18 cents, 8 49-100 cents and 18 cents; and the Franklin Bank Note Company, & 17-100 cents. 21 cents,914 cents and 16 cents.

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Under the fourth specification, wherein the Department reserves the right to have the work done by hand entirely or by combination steam and hand work, the Bureau bid 9 cents; under the fifth specification, where the Department reserves the right to have the work done entirely by steam or entirely by hand, the American Bank Note Company bids 8 20-100 cents. The price paid by the Department at present is 9 19-100 cents a thousand.

Hospitality and Home-Keeping.

As we all feel: "Our houses are hardly our own till we share them." Who does not celebrate the taking possession of a new dwelling by calling his friends together to rejoice with him in its beauty and comfort, as if no mere material fires were enough for a true bousevestibule, a home, in which the happy owners feel themselves at once masters and servants. priests and hosts, always busy and yet infinitely at rest? And what house has not its "spare room," its guest chamber, sacred to those whom love, duty, or compassion invite to its shelter? Hospitality is one of the primal instincts of man. Nor is it only an instinct. It is a virtue, and sometimes a very lofty one. It is most touching among the poor, most graceful in the rich, and most difficult in the middle classes. To receive guests has been the pride of the English noble, the religion of the Arab. would not go further. A few months later, all the amusement of the country squire, the sign of brotherhood among pioneers, the polite show of the Chinese, the joy of children, the delight and terror of young wives, and the duty, performed with a varying mixture of pleasure and fatigue, of the average American. If there are any thoughts by which the pleasure can be made more and the fatigue less to our own countrymen, and especially countrylabor chiefly come, let us consider them. - Good Housekeeping:

Herat Valley.

The Herat Valley must now be much less populous than when a Persian army of 100,000 men lived and subsisted in it for nearly two years. The population of the city is not more than 15,000. Although the valley of Herat is fertilized by numerous streams from the Heri Rood, and its rich black soil has abundant fertility, it has few indications of prosperous vitality; it had as we looked on it an aspect of desolation, of decay. If the disintegration of the city walls has not seriously advanced, it cannot be said that they are perfect, or that the defences are complete. On the villages a lifeless blank appears to have fallen; the less attention paid to their defences may be due to peace, to the sense of security that has arisen, but the energies that were engaged and strained in the preservation of existence do not now appear to be directed to any peaceful production. In many respects the position of the cita of Herat is disappointing. The city is not strong for defence, although a mud-walled city of mud houses may offer more resistance than more formidable-looking stone defences. There are in the valley many positions from which to strike the city, and the Afghans appear to be sensible of this. I have no doubt that the Government of Abdurrahman, which has done so-much to pacify and organize Afghanistan, has not overlooked and will not neglect the defences of Herat: still, a town girdled by villages cannot be considered strong.-London Standard.

THE Authors' Readings at Madison Square Theatre yesterday were listened to by a large audience. The readers were Henry Ward Beecher, W. D. Howells, Edward Eggleston, Mark Twain, John Boyle O'Reilly, Prof. Charles Carroll and George Parsons Lathrop. Assistant Bishop Potter presided.

A BANQUET was given to Henry Irving, the actor, in London last night, Mr. Irving making many complimentary allusions to his reception in this country.

THE report of a serious disagreement between Secretary Endicott and General Sheridan is sweepingly denied.